

Response and Remarks

The Examiner requested in the Notice that the status of claims 6, 7, 16, 22, 23, 26, 34, 45, 58, 59, and 71 be shown as “currently amended” with markings, as in the Applicant’s filing of December 9, 2004. This is done above. The status of claims 2, 4, and 40 also is returned to “currently amended,” as those claims were indicated in the December 9, 2004 filing, in keeping with the Examiner’s request to list the status of amended claims as in the original amendment. The Applicant above presents all the claims with the revised status indicators, and restored markings. The Applicant thanks the Examiner for this opportunity to change the status indicators and markings.


No substantive amendments are made in this filing. All amendments shown were fully explained in the filing of December 9, 2004, and such explanations are herein included by reference.

Summary of Interview with Examiner

The Applicant had a brief telephone interview with the Examiner on September 28, 2005. The Applicant called to check the status of the above-referenced application. The Examiner informed the Applicant that a notice had been mailed on August 8, 2005 regarding 37 CFR 1.121. The Examiner also said that since the deadline had expired, the Applicant could maintain the Application by requesting an extension of time. The Applicant said he had not received the mailing and inquired where the notice had been sent. As it happens, the notice was inadvertently sent to Covington & Burling, Attn: Patent Docketing, 1201 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20004-2401. The Applicant noted that he believed he had filed a change of correspondence address in the past and promised to check the file. The Examiner asked the Applicant to fax to her the prior notice of change of address. In addition, the Examiner kindly

faxed a copy of the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment to the Applicant. The Applicant subsequently sent a fax to the Examiner with a copy of the change of correspondence address on October 11, 2005.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Philip J. Rosenthal", written over a horizontal line.

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